# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NO. 3-CR-15-

)

-vs-

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FRANCIS McBRIDE,

(JUDGE

Defendant

## **INFORMATION**

## THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

#### COUNT 1

(18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

1. On or about July 8, 2014, in Lackawanna County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the PNC Bank, located in Throop, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 2

## (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

2. On or about July 8, 2014, in Lackawanna County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the NBT Bank, located in Mayfield, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### COUNT 3

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

3. On or about July 8, 2014, in Lackawanna County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the Citizens Savings Bank, located in Scranton, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## **COUNT 4**

## (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

4. On or about July 11, 2014, in Netcong, Morris County, New Jersey, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did intentionally take and obtained by extortion, property, approximately \$5,318.00 in United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the Fulton Bank, located in Netcong, New Jersey, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### COUNT 5

## (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

5. On or about July 30, 2014, in Lackawanna County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the Wells Fargo Bank, located in Scranton, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 6

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

6. On or about July 30, 2014, in Lackawanna County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the Peoples' Security Bank, located in Scranton, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 7

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

7. On or about July 30, 2014, in Luzerne County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the PNC Bank, located in Avoca, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 8

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

8. On or about July 30, 2014, in Luzerne County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the Wells Fargo Bank, located in Exeter, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 9

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

9. On or about July 30, 2014, in Luzerne County, within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the PNC Bank, located in Pittston, Pennsylvania, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 10

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

10. On or about August 1, 2014, in Port Jervis, Orange County, New York, the defendant,

# FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the Sussex Bank, located in Port Jervis, New York, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

## COUNT 11

# (18 U.S.C. § 2113(a) – Bank Robbery)

11. On or about August 1, 2014, in Port Jervis, Orange County, New York, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

by force, violence and intimidation, did attempt to take from the person and presence of another, and attempted to obtain by extortion, property in the form of United States Currency, belonging to and in the care, custody, control, management and possession of the TD Bank, located in Port Jervis, New York, a bank whose deposits were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

#### COUNT 12

(18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) – Interference with Commerce by Threats or Violence)

- 12. At all times material to this Information, Gerrity's Supermarket, Scranton, Pennsylvania, was engaged in the sale of items in interstate commerce and an industry which affects interstate commerce.
- 13. On or about July 7, 2014, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

did unlawfully obstruct, delay and affect and attempt to obstruct delay and affect, commerce as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, and the movement of articles and commodities in such commerce, by robbery and extortion as those terms are defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, in that the defendant did unlawfully attempt to take and attempt to obtain personal property consisting of United States currency from the person and in the presence of an employee of Gerrity's Supermarket, against that person's will by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to her person, that is, the defendant attempted to obtain from an employee of Gerrity's Supermarket, using threats and intimidation, money in the form of United States currency.

#### COUNT 13

(18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) – Interference with Commerce by Threats or Violence)

- 14. At all times material to this Information, The Tobacco Shop, Scranton, Pennsylvania, was engaged in the sale of items in interstate commerce and an industry which affects interstate commerce.
- 15. On or about March 24, 2014, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

did unlawfully obstruct, delay and affect and attempt to obstruct delay and affect, commerce as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, and the movement of articles and commodities in such commerce, by robbery as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, in that the defendant did unlawfully attempt to take and attempt to obtain personal property consisting of United States currency from the person and in the presence of an employee of The Tobacco Shop, against that person's will by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to her person, that is, the defendant attempted to obtain from an employee of The Tobacco Shop, using threats and intimidation, property, approximately \$200.00 in United States currency.

#### COUNT 14

(18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) – Interference with Commerce by Threats or Violence)

- 16. At all times material to this Information, the Shell Gas Station, Scranton, Pennsylvania, was engaged in the sale of items in interstate commerce and an industry which affects interstate commerce.
- 17. On or about March 27, 2014, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

#### FRANCIS McBRIDE,

did unlawfully obstruct, delay and affect and attempt to obstruct delay and affect, commerce as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, and the movement of articles and commodities in such commerce, by robbery as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, in that the defendant did unlawfully attempt to take and attempt to obtain personal property consisting of United States currency from the person and in the presence of an employee of the Shell Gas Station, against that person's will by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to her person, that is, the defendant attempted to obtain from an employee of the Shell Gas Station, using threats and intimidation, property, approximately \$3,996.67 in United States currency.

#### COUNT 15

(18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) – Interference with Commerce by Threats or Violence)

- 18. At all times material to this Information, the SV Mini Mart/Exxon Gas Station, Moosic, Pennsylvania, was engaged in the sale of items in interstate commerce and an industry which affects interstate commerce.
- 19. On or about April 12, 2014, in Moosic, Pennsylvania, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

## FRANCIS McBRIDE,

did unlawfully obstruct, delay and affect and attempt to obstruct delay and affect, commerce as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, and the movement of articles and commodities in such commerce, by robbery as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, in that the defendant did unlawfully attempt to take and attempt to obtain personal property consisting of United States currency from the person and in the presence of an employee of the SV Mini Mart/Exxon Gas Station, against that person's will by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to her person, that is, the defendant attempted to obtain from an employee of the SV Mini Mart/Exxon Gas Station, using threats and intimidation, property, approximately \$150.00 in United States currency.

#### COUNT 16

(18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) – Interference with Commerce by Threats or Violence)

- 20. At all times material to this Information, the Shell Gas Station, Scranton, Pennsylvania, was engaged in the sale of items in interstate commerce and an industry which affects interstate commerce.
- 21. On or about July 31, 2014, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in the Middle District of Pennsylvania, the defendant,

#### FRANCIS McBRIDE,

did unlawfully obstruct, delay and affect and attempt to obstruct delay and affect, commerce as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, and the movement of articles and commodities in such commerce, by robbery as that term is defined in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951, in that the defendant did unlawfully attempt to take and attempt to obtain personal property consisting of United States currency from the person and in the presence of an employee of the Shell Gas Station, against that person's will by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to her person, that is, the defendant attempted to obtain from an employee of the Shell Gas Station, using threats and intimidation, property, approximately \$165.00 in United States currency.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951(a).

Feb 4, 2015

PETER JASMITH

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY